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NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET - AT A GLANCE

DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Undertone steady at best on hens and consumer sized toms. Trading seasonally slow. Offerings available for the limited buyer interest. Demand on 4-8 lb. breasts light to fair, bulk parts and meats slow to moderate mostly slow. Offerings of most items available and held with varying degrees of confidence. Frozen thigh meat continued to be offered at lower trending price levels with very little buyer interest noted.



EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading centered on fair volumes of tails and on heavy volumes of tom drums and mechanically separated turkey. Demand continued to be the most active from Asia, Russia and Africa. Buyers for Mexico continued to be generally unaggressive.

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OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/

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8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	61-63	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	58-62	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	61-63	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	60-61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	58-61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	60-61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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EASTERN REGION 3/	60-61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	58-61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	60-61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days. 3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting. 6/ Includes product committed for pricing during the previous 24 hours but shipment in more than 14 days from date of commitment. 7/ Includes product committed during previous 24 hours at prices to be determined at later date.

NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 9 JANUARY 2001.

The market tone was steady to barely steady on breast meat, barely steady on other items as trading surfaced at lower trending levels. Spot loads of fresh and frozen destrapped tenderloins traded at lower prices. A light volume of private label 4-8 lb A grade breasts moved at lower values and a fairly heavy volume of hen v-type wings moved at sharply lower levels. Fresh mechanically separated turkey was unchanged to lower. Trading was heavy on fresh destrapped tenderloins for January - December 2001 shipments at 150 delivered. Partial loads of non-basted 14-16 lb plant grade breasts moved at 112-115. Offers of thigh meat attracted little interest. Export activity was fairly good on tom drumsticks.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/	98.00		98.00	200
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/		R	154.00	20
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		M	94.00	200
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	22.00		22.00	80
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH		F	22.13	320
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	22.00		22.00	40
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM		M	25.00	6
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		R	27.00	80
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN	28.50		28.50	400
NECKS, TOM	23.00		23.00	40
NECKS, HEN		W	17.00	40
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		F	148.00	320
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	148.00-153.00		151.71	280
THIGH MEAT		F	77.00	15
THIGH MEAT—FRESH		F	72.14	70
BREAST TRIM MEAT	115.00		115.00	40
SCAPULA MEAT		F	112.50	40
TENDERLOINS		W	122.00	40
DESTRAPPED TENDERS	132.00	132.00	40	
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH	142.00			142.00 80
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		F	55.50	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		M	18.00	20
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	13.00-17.50		16.37	760
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	20.50-23.00		21.45	572
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		F	22.00	80
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		M	25.00	208
TAILS	19.00		19.00	156
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	16.50		16.50	52
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		W	77.00	80

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.):

M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

2/ Breasts are bagged; rib, back, and wing meat included; and basted.

3/ Boneless and skinless without tenderloins.

4/ 15-20% fat with skin added.

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED TURKEY,
DELIVERED TO RETAILERS**

	<u>RANGE</u>
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	96
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	96
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	70-81
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	67-73
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	68-83

**SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED TURKEY
DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS**

	<u>RANGE</u>
TURKEYS Y HENS	98-109
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	88-99
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	88-99
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	87-99
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	92-99

NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 10 JANUARY 2001.

Domestic market activity was light. Offerings of fresh breast meat ranged from light to instances available, frozen breast meat light. Thigh meat was readily available with little buyer interest even at lower offering prices. Export trading was active on tom drumsticks, mechanically separated turkey and tails, with most interest noted from Russia and Asia.

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BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/	99.00-106.00		100.49	51
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/		R	154.00	20
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		M	94.00	200
DRUMSTICKS, TOM		T	22.00	80
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH	23.00		23.00	20
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	22.00		22.00	40
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	22.00		22.00	36
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		R	27.00	80
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		T	28.50	400
NECKS, TOM	24.00		24.00	40
NECKS, HEN		W	17.00	40
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		F	148.00	320
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	152.00		152.00	40
THIGH MEAT		F	77.00	15
THIGH MEAT—FRESH	71.00		71.00	120
BREAST TRIM MEAT		T	115.00	40
SCAPULA MEAT		F	112.50	40
TENDERLOINS		W	122.00	40
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		T	132.00	40
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH		T	142.00	80
WING MEAT WITH SKIN	57.00-58.00		57.67	60
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		M	18.00	20
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	17.00-19.00		18.00	100

EXPORT TRADING

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	19.50-21.00		20.57	828
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	20.00		20.00	52
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		M	25.00	208
TAILS	19.00		19.00	520
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	19.00-20.00		19.42	744
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		W	77.00	80

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BREEDER TURKEYS CERTIFIED IN CALIFORNIA W/E 01/10/01**POULTRY HEALTH BOARD**

SEASON	HEAVY	ACCUMULATED HEAVY	ALL BREEDS
JULY 1 TO JUNE 30	WHITE	WHITES	
2000-2001	8,917	205,450	205,700
1999-2000	500	202,027	202,377